

INDIANA EARLY LEARNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Provider Participation and Advancement Workgroup

Meeting Minutes Summary November 10, 2014

Attendees: Dana Jones, Beth Stroh, Deb Hughes, Kathy Frank, Ruth Armao, Kathryn Raasch, Kristin Hines, Beth Barrett, Melanie Brizzi, Kyle Wehmann

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Key Topics Discussed:

- 1. Overview of Workgroup 6-month plan
- 2. Review of PES standards through charter school lens (*Handout in Wiggio "Resources" folder)
- 3. Clarification of #8 in minutes: licensing vs. VCP pathway options
- 4. Beth: Presentation of revised PTQ Packets, they are available online
- 5. Beth: Provider forms will be available Wednesday for Pilot (will be a press release for both provider and parent applications)
- 6. When marketing for the Pilot, must let parents know that there is a lottery (for Jan 15th enrollment)
- 7. Beth: We are working on marketing materials for PreK, will include logo and tagline
- 8. Continued discussion of charter school pathways:
 - Charter schools do not have ability to oversee PreK/ still waiting from some info from Department of Homeland Security to see what is already being checked
 - Easier, safer, more conservative for charter schools to go through partnership programs
- 9. Melanie: Licensure and Level 1 PTQ clarification
- 10. Melanie does not anticipate an additional PTQ pathway for private schools
- 11. For the Pilot, private schools must be accredited, but do not have to be on PTQ
- 12. Private school PreK programs must be accredited by either the approved State Department of Education or approved FSSA accrediting bodies

Key Questions Raised:

- 1. For charters, is the whole building checked or just the rooms being used for preschool? State Fire Marshall should inspect entire building.
- 2. Questions about building code? To begin the PreK process, schools should email Beth Barrett.
- 3. Are half day exempt programs allowed in PreK pilot? First, we must decide what kind of legal classification the program is.
- 4. What about using a Survey Monkey to help create the list of barriers between PTQ levels?

Action Steps:

- 1. Melanie/Beth will reach out to PTQ coaches to help create a list of barriers between PTQ levels (including licensure in barriers to Level 1)
- 2. Continue charter schools discussion



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Next Meeting:

Date: Monday, December 8, 2014

Location: Wayne Township Preschool, 1155 South High School Road, Indianapolis, IN

Conference Call #: 877-422-1931; code 8938051085

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